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SUBJECT: INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT ON ILLICIT PAYMENTS

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1. EXTAFF'S EXPERT ON ILLICIT PAYMENTS AGREEMENT (PEEL, LEGAL ADVISORY DIVISION) TOLD ECON COUNSELOR JUNE 10 THAT EXTAFF IS PREPARED TO SUPPORT SCENARIO OUTLINED BY U.S. FOR CONFIDENTIAL

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WORKING GROUP AND ECOSOC ACTIONS BUT ISSUE MUST BE DISCUSSED WITH OTHER GOC AGENCIES AND HE DOES NOT EXPECT FORMAL GOC POSITION TO BE AGREED UNTIL LATE IN WEEK OF JUNE 17. PEEL COMMENTED THAT WHILE HE SUPPORTS U.S. APPROACH, HE IS PESSIMISTIC ABOUT PROSPECTS FOR PERSUADING WORKING GROUP AS A WHOLE TO MAKE PROPOSED RECOMMENDATIONS.

- 2. PEEL SAID IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT FOR GOC TO SEND EXPERT TO MEETING AT OECD ON JUNE 20 BECAUSE THIS WOULD MEAN EXPERT WOULD EITHER HAVE TO RETURN TO OTTAWA FOR A DAY OR TWO AND FLY BACK TO GENEVA FOR JUNE 27 MEETING OR SPEND AN UNPRODUCTIVE WEEK IN EUROPE. BOTH ALTERNATIVES ARE UNDESIRABLE AND COSTLY. HE EXPRESSED HOPE MEETING AT OECD WOULD BE ARRANGED FOR LATER IN WEEK. PLEASE ADVISE.
- 3. WE WILL BRING REFTEL REQUEST FOR HIGH LEVEL REPRESENTATIONS TO ATTENTION OF AMBASSADOR WHEN HE RETURNS TO OTTAWA ON JUNE 13 FROM OUT-OF-TOWN TRIP. ENDERS

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